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KENTUCKY FIRM RECALLS FROZEN STUFFED CHICKEN SANDWICHES

THAT MAY CONTAIN PIECES OF PLASTIC

WASHINGTON, July 14, 2008 – Nestlé Prepared Foods Company, a Mt. Sterling, Ky., establishment, is recalling approximately 199,417 pounds of frozen stuffed chicken sandwich products that may contain pieces of plastic, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food Safety and Inspection Service announced today.

The following products are subject to recall:

• 9-ounce boxes of "Lean Pockets Spinach Artichoke Chicken - 2 sandwiches." Printed on the side of each box is a "Best Before" date of "Nov 2009" followed by a package code beginning "8144 544616." Also printed on the side of the package is the establishment number "P7721A."

The products were produced on May 23 and distributed to retail establishments nationwide.

The problem was discovered after the company received consumer complaints. FSIS has not received any consumer complaints at this time. Two injuries have been reported to the company. Anyone concerned about an injury from consumption of the products should contact a physician.

Consumers with questions about the recall should contact Company Consumer Services Director Beth Thomas-Kim (818) 549-7063. Media with questions about the recall should contact Company Marketing Communications Manager Roz O'Hearn at (440) 264-5170.

Consumers with food safety questions can "Ask Karen," the FSIS virtual representative available 24 hours a day at <u>AskKaren.gov</u>. The toll-free USDA Meat and Poultry Hotline 1-888-MPHotline (1-888-674-6854) is available in English and Spanish and can be reached from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Eastern Time) Monday through Friday. Recorded food safety messages are available 24 hours a day.

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